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Application No. Applicant(s) **Advisory Action** LAIN ET AL. 10/629.599 Examiner Art Unit After the Filing of an Appeal Brief Kristin D. Sandoval 2132 --The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --The reply filed 24 May 2007 is acknowledged. 1. 🖂 The reply filed on or after the date of filing of an appeal brief, but prior to a final decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, will not be entered because: a. The amendment is not limited to canceling claims (where the cancellation does not affect the scope of any other pending claims) or rewriting dependent claims into independent form (no limitation of a dependent claim can be excluded in rewriting that claim). See 37 CFR 41.33(b) and (c).

3. The reply is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

b. The affidavit or other evidence is not timely filed before the filing of an appeal brief.

2. The reply is not entered because it was not filed within the two month time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.39(b), 41.50(a)(2), or 41.50(b) (whichever is appropriate). Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are not available.

Note: This paragraph is for a reply filed in response to one of the following: (a) an examiner's answer that includes a new ground of rejection (37 CFR 41.39(a)(2)); (b) a supplemental examiner's answer written in response to a remand by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for further consideration of rejection (37 CFR 41.50(a)(2)); or (c) a Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences decision that includes a new ground of

See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(2).

rejection (37 CFR 41.50(b)).

4. Amended claims 14 and 15 recite the limitation, "wherein security keys of the first subsection of the binary tree only share a zeroth generation root key" which was not previously considered and would require further search and consideration since claims 14 and 15 previously stated that the security keys of the first subsection of the binary tree only share a first generation root key. All other amendments merely correct minor informalities and do not require further search or consideration and would require further.

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